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Re: Atlantic Fleet Weapons Training Facility (AFWTF) - EPA I.D.# PRD980536221
Final Operational Plan for Removal of Rock Material from AOC F (Rock Quarry)

Dear Mr. Penny:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed its review of the Final Operational Plan for Removal of Rock Material (the Operational Plan) from AOC F, the former Rock Quarry, submitted on the Navy's behalf by your consultant, CH2MHill, on January 12, 2005. EPA has determined that the Operational Plan will be acceptable for usage for obtaining approximately 4,200 cubic yards of road aggregate material to make emergency road repairs at the Vieques Wildlife Refuge on the formerly Navy owned lands in east Vieques, if the following errors and/or omissions are acceptably corrected:

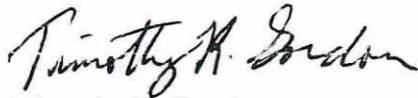
- 1) on page 3, the reference CH2MHILL 2002 is not listed in the References section (it appears that citation on page 3 should be corrected to read "CH2MHill, May 2004", which is listed in the References section).
- 2) on page 3, the statement "The grab sample locations are shown on Figure 5", should be revised to read instead "...on Figure 3", or Figure 5 needs to be revised to include the 2004 grab sample locations, and not just the 2000 RFI soil sample locations, as currently shown.
- 3) on page 3, the statement "The area identified on Figure 5 represents the specific area proposed for collection of 4200 cy of material...." is not correct, as in-fact no area is shown/outlined on Figure 5. Either the cited figure should be changed to Figure 3, or Figure 5 must be revised to include the outline of the specific area where the 4,200 cy of material will be collected.
- 4) on page 4, the reference CH2MHILL, November 2004 needs to be added to the References

section, as it is not currently listed there.

Within 21 days of your receipt of this letter, please submit a revised Operational Plan to address all the above comments. If the revised Operational Plan is found to be acceptable, any EPA approval of that revised Operational Plan would be on an interim basis, pending the final determination of whether further actions are required for AOC F under the January 2000 RCRA 3008(h) Order.

Please telephone me at (212) 637- 4167 if you have questions.

Sincerely yours,



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